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SUBJ: REACTION NIXON-KISSINGER

BERLINGSKE TIDENDE (CONSERVATIVE INDEPENDENT) COMMENTS ON SYMBOLIC SIGNIFICANCE OF PRESIDENT'S MIDDLE EAST TRIP, AND CONCLUDES, QUOTE: KISSINGER HAS OFTEN ASSERTED THAT THE FOREIGN POLICY HE PURSUES IS BASED IN THE HIGHEST DEGREE ON THE PRESIDENT'S INITIATIVE AND RESPONSIBILITY. THAT IS NOT SIMPLY A LOYAL OFFICIAL'S REVERENCE FOR HIS CHIEF; IT IS A REALITY IN THE AMERICAN SYSTEM. KISSINGER FORMULATES THE USA'S POLICY BROADLY AND PREPARES THE TACTICAL OUTLINES. BUT NIXON HAS NEVER ABDICATED THE DETERMINATION OF AMERICA'S POLICIES TO HIS SECRETARY OF STATE. HE HAS MAINTAINED HIS CENTRAL AND ACTIVE INFLUENCE ON ITS AIMS AND MEANS, DESPITE ALL INTERNAL POLITICAL STORMS. ALL THROUGH THE DIFFICULT PAST YEAR, HE HAS ACTUALLY KEPT PACE WITH HIS FIRST, BEST YEARS AS FOREIGN POLICY EXPERT--AND THAT IS DESERVING OF RECOGNITION.

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